



# TOWN OF WEST HARTFORD

## MEETING MINUTES

### West Hartford Clean Energy Task Force

October 14, 2015

7:00 PM

Rm 422

#### 1. Roll Call – 7:12 PM

Member	Present, 4 needed for quorum
Catherine Diviney	X
Robert Palmer	
Bernie Pelletier	X
Joe Campanella	X
Chris Nelson	X
Burke Doar	
Town Councilor - Vacant	
<b>Total</b>	4
<b>Additional Attendees</b>	David Mello, Craig Diamond

#### 2. Approval of Minutes – n/a

#### 3. Receipt of Communications

- Bernie forwarded to the WHCETF email group the report that RPI student Kevin Erlich wrote on Avon & West Hartford.

#### 4. Updates & Unfinished Business

##### b. Task Force Resolution Update

- Catherine will ask Ron directly to take to Council

##### c. Energy Projects & Street Lighting

- Progress with Siemens not as fast or as turnkey as hoped, but projects delivered with more energy savings and lower cost. Steamtraps and pipe insulation also complete. Exterior LED lighting pilot at Wolcott.
- Progress with Tanko going well. LED test cobra heads installed on Farmington. Waiting for one more sample fixture. Believe we can drop wattage to 45-60 range. Instead of 60-70 range (too bright).

#### 5. New Business

##### a. CT Clean Energy Communities Award –

- West Hartford was awarded a Silver Achievement level AND a special Energy Wise Community Award, for a community which thinks comprehensively about energy. They initiate a dialogue with the entire community including the residential, business, community organization, schools and municipality. They actively pursue opportunities to engage all stakeholders in their community. They promote all programs for conservation, energy efficiency, renewable energy to better the community as a whole.

- 3 Communities that were Gold – Cheshire, Middletown, Mansfield – have greater participation in residential Home Energy Assessment than we do. Need 20% for Gold, WH is at 12% of households. Something we should focus on.
- Ron to share awards at town Council. We should do additional PR.

**b. Great Hartford Assoc of Realtors Event – Jan 2016**

- Catherine attended event planning meeting. Good outreach opportunity. Catherine or other to present. Craig Diamond mentioned he was also contacted by the Assoc. to present. Bernie has some information from NREL on solar and real estate value which would be good to share.

**c. Winter – Workshop or LED lightbulb event?**

- With all our efforts on rewriting the Plan, we also should not lose sight of holding some actual events this year. Especially if we want to maybe move up to Gold achievement level.
- Bernie will help organize some events and coordinate with Diana/CT Clean Energy Communities.

**6. Energy / Recycling Plan**

- Special meeting on residential energy section to be held Wed Oct, 21 7 pm.

**7. Adjournment – 8:45 PM (Field trip to visit sample LED Street lights on Farmington)**